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SUBJECT: OECD ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE - INVITATION OF DOC STAFF  
PERSON TO ASSIST OECD POLLUTION CONTROL COST STUDIES

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1. -- SUMMARY.-- OECD ENVIRONMENT PROGRAM INCLUDES SIGNIFICANT  
EFFORT TO COLLECT AND ANALYZE OECD- WIDE  
POLLUTION CONTROL COST DATA IN SELECTED INDUSTRIAL SECTORS.  
BECAUSE OF DOC RESPONSIBILITY TO CARRY OUT SIMILAR STUDIES,  
DOC AND OECD OFFICIALS HAVE WORKED OUT PLAN FOR DOC STAFF PERSON  
TO ASSIST IMPLEMENTATION OECD STUDIES OVER NEXT YEAR BEGINNING MAY  
2, 1973.

BECAUSE OF URGENCY IN RESOLVING ADMINISTRATIVE ARRANGEMENTS,  
OECD LETTER OF APRIL 13, 1973 FROM DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL TIMMONS  
TO SECRETARY DENT, DOC, IS FORWARDED BY TELEGRAM, -- END SUMMARY.--

2. LETTER TO SECRETARY DENT, DOC: DEAR MR. SECRETARY,  
THE DIRECTOR OF THE ENVIRONMENT, DIRECTORATE OF THE  
OECD SECRETARIAT, DR. H. RODERICK, AND MEMBERS OF HIS STAFF  
HAVE BEEN DISCUSSING WITH MR. GARY M. COOK OF YOUR DEPARTMENT  
VARIOUS PROBLEMS CONNECTED WITH COLLECTING AND ANALYSING POLLUTION  
CONTROL COST DATA, AN ISSUE IN WHICH THE U. S. GOVERNMENT SHARES A  
PRONOUNCED INTEREST WITH THE OTHER MEMBER COUNTRIES OF OECD,  
DURING  
THESE DISCUSSIONS THE POSSIBILITY OF YOUR DEPARTMENT  
DESIGNATING AN EXPERIENCED PROFESSIONAL  
OFFICER TO WORK IN THIS AREA AT OECD FOR A PERIOD NOT EXCEEDING  
ONE YEAR WAS JOINTLY EXPLORED.  
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THE ARRANGEMENT ENVISAGED WOULD INVOLVE THE DETAILING OF A MEMBER OF YOUR DEPARTMENT AS A CONSULTANT TO THE CENTRAL ANALYSIS AND EVALUATION UNIT OF THE OECD ENVIRONMENT DIRECTORATE TO WORK UNDER THE DIRECT GUIDANCE OF THE DEPUTY DIRECTOR AND THE HEAD OF THE UNIT. IT IS OUR UNDERSTANDING THAT THE CONSULTANT'S SALARY AND LIVING EXPENSES, AS WELL AS HIS TRAVEL TO AND FROM OECD HEADQUARTERS, WOULD BE BORNE BY THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE. THE SAME WOULD APPLY TO THE LIVING AND TRAVEL EXPENSES OF THE CONSULTANT'S DEPENDENTS IF ANY. OECD WOULD BEAR THE CONSULTANT'S TRAVEL AND SUBSISTENCE EXPENSES WHEN ON OFFICIAL TRAVEL MISSIONS FOR THE ORGANISATION.

IN ADDITION, IT IS UNDERSTOOD THAT OECD WILL REVIEW THE EFFECTIVENESS OF THIS ARRANGEMENT AT THE END OF TWO MONTHS AFTER THE CONSULTANT'S APPOINTMENT AND WOULD BE AT LIBERTY TO TERMINATE IT, IF IT DEEMS THIS ADVISEABLE.

MR. COOK HAS FURTHER INDICATED THAT HE WOULD LIKE TO BE ABLE TO CALL ON THE CONSULTANT'S SERVICES AT SOME TIME DURING THE YEAR FOR A PERIOD OF APPROXIMATELY TWO MONTHS AND OECD WOULD BE PREPARED TO ARRANGE FOR THIS AT A TIME AND UNDER CONDITIONS MUTUALLY AGREEABLE.

IN THE ATTACHED PLEASE FIND A DETAILED OUTLINE OF THE CONSULTANT'S ASSIGNMENT.

MR. COOK HAS SUGGESTED TO THE SECRETARIAT MR. LOWELL GOODHUE FROM YOUR DEPARTMENT AS A QUALIFIED CANDIDATE FOR THIS ASSIGNMENT. MR. GOODHUE WAS AVAILABLE FOR INTERVIEW IN PARIS AND DR. RODERICK AND MEMBERS OF HIS STAFF TALKED WITH HIM AT LENGTH ABOUT THE WORK AT HAND. THE GENERAL CONSENSUS WAS THAT MR. GOODHUE WOULD BE VERY WELL SUITED TO CARRY OUT THE TASKS DESCRIBED IN THE ATTACHMENT AND BECAUSE OF HIS KNOWLEDGE AND EXPERIENCE WOULD BE A VALUABLE MEMBER OF THE CENTRAL ANALYSIS UNIT.

SHOULD THE ABOVE OUTLINED ARRANGEMENT MEET WITH YOUR APPROVAL WE WOULD SUGGEST THAT MR. GOODHUE BE AVAILABLE IN PARIS, IF AT ALL POSSIBLE STARTING MAY 2 ND, 1973. YOURS SINCERELY, BENSON E. L. TIMMONS

III.

3. LETTER AND BACKGROUND INFORMATION CONCERNING PROPOSED STUDIES AND DUTIES OF MR. GOODHUE AIRPOUCHED TO STATE AND DOC. BROWN  
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